

## Application Details

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### Manage Application: Textbook Transformation Grants Round Seven

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**Award Cycle:** Round 7

**Internal Submission Deadline:** Sunday, September 4, 2016

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**Application Title:** 270

**Application ID:** #001172

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**Submitter Last Name:** Andrews

**Submitter Title:** Assistant Professor of Mathematics

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**Submitter Campus Role:** Proposal Investigator (Primary or additional)

**Applicant First Name:** Damon

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**Primary Appointment Title:** Assistant Professor

**Institution Name(s):** East Georgia State College

**Proposal Category:** No-or-Low-Cost-to-Students Learning Materials

**Submission Date:** Tuesday, September 6, 2016

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**Team Members (Name, Title, Department, Institutions if different, and email address for each):**

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**Sponsor, (Name, Title, Department, Institution):**

Dr. Jimmy Wedincamp, PhD, Dean of School of Mathematics and Science, Professor of Mathematics, East Georgia State College; wedincamp@ega.edu

**Final Semester of Instruction:** Summer 2017

**Proposal Title:** 270

**Course Names, Course Numbers and Semesters Offered:**

Foundations for College Algebra; MATH 0989; offered every Fall, Spring, Summer

**Average Number of Students per Course Section:** 35

**Number of Course Sections Affected by Implementation in Academic Year:** 23

**Total Number of Students Affected by Implementation in Academic Year:** 805

**List the original course materials for students (including title, whether optional or required, & cost for each item):** Prices from EGSC Online Bookstore: Introductory Algebra with MyMathLab, 7th edition, Robert Blitzer, Pearson Prentice Hall [hardcover optional] @ \$240.00 Introductory Algebra with MyMathLab, 7th edition, Robert Blitzer, Pearson Prentice Hall [loose-leaf optional] @ \$174.00 Standalone MyMathLab Access Code. [required] @ \$121.25

**Requested Amount of Funding:** 10,800

**Original per Student Cost:** \$121.25 to \$240.00

**Post-Proposal Projected Student Cost:** \$0

**Projected Per Student Savings:** \$121.25 to \$240.00

**Projected Total Annual Student Savings:** \$97,606.25 to \$193,200

**Creation and Hosting Platforms (Use "n/a" if none):**

D2L

LibGuides (with Creative Commons Open License)

**Project Goals:**

\* Student Savings

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Replace the MyMathLab online homework platform with MyOpenMath, a free installation of an Internet Mathematics Assessment System (IMATHAS).

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**Statement of Transformation:**

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**\* Describe the transformative impact on the course, program, department, institutions, access institution, and/or multiple courses.**

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#### **Transformation Action Plan:**

Project Completion has three phases:

**Phase One, Fall 2016:** Both Mr. Andrews and Mr. Drummer will develop (i.e. syllabus, course schedule, assessments, study guides, slideshows, and video library) a pilot course using the Wallace textbook and myOpenMath website. Mr. Drummer will obtain IRB approval to conduct research related to this project.

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**Quantitative & Qualitative Measures:** Quantitative Measures a) Success Rates This project will evaluate the Spring 2017 semester Success rates for Foundations of College Algebra versus the Spring, Summer, and Fall 2016 semesters Success rates for Foundations of College Algebra. A success in Foundations of College Algebra is defined as a student earning a grade of A, B, or C. Students can additionally earn grades of IP, F, W, or WF which all constitute an unsuccessful attempt. b) Pretest-Posttest Scores EGSC administers a pretest and posttest to all students for all courses. Thus, an ANOVA analysis will be conducted for both the pretest and posttest scores for students who took MATH 0989 in Spring 2016, Summer 2016, Fall 2016, and Spring 2017. Qualitative Measures Qualitative measures from Student Course Evaluations will be compared for MATH 0989 before and after implementation. Additionally, at the start and end of the project a survey will be conducted to determine students' opinions of course material including, but not limited to, organization, availability, difficulty, clarity, and cost of course material. Before and after implementation mathematics faculty teaching MATH 0989 will be surveyed to determine faculty members' in regards to, but not limited to, willingness to use open-source resources for current course, willingness to extend the use of open-source resources to other course, quality of current and textbook package, and suitability of current textbook to meet established departmental course objectives.

**Timeline:**

**Fall Semester 2016 (August – December) – IRB Approval, Pilot Course Development, Satisfaction Survey, and Course Evaluation**

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## **Summer Semester 2017 (June – August) – Analysis of Fall and Spring Semester Course Pass Rates and Faculty, Student Satisfaction Survey, and Course Evaluations**

**June** – Analyze course pass rates, pre-posttest data, course evaluations, and faculty and student satisfaction surveys.

**July** – Submit final report to the mathematics learning support committee and ALG committee. Share course materials with colleagues at EGSC via D2L and LibGuides for colleagues external to EGSC.

**August** – Based on approval of the mathematics learning support committee and dean of the School of Mathematics and Sciences, implement the new textbook/online homework platform for all remedial mathematics courses campus-wide.

### **Budget:**

Personnel - \$10,000

Travel - \$800

Equipment - \$0.00

Supplies - \$0.00

Consultants/Contracts - \$0.00

Other Costs - \$0.00

Indirect Costs - \$0.00

Total - \$10,800

Mr. Andrews and Mr. Drummer will be compensated \$5000 each for the extra time required to complete the project.

Project staff is required to attend the Affordable Learning Georgia Kickoff Event held on the campus on Middle Georgia State University in Macon, GA. Travel cost associated with this event is \$800.

There is no additional costs associated with equipment, supplies (all materials are will be in digital format), consultants/contracts (free training and resources are provided by the grantor), office space, or indirect costs.

**Sustainability Plan:**

Once funding for the project has ended no additional cost will be required as the course materials can be readily shared with colleagues because of the following:

**Internal to EGSC**

- 1) D2L courses can be copied from the master D2L course and modified as needed.
- 2) The selected textbook is open-source, thus any changes to a newer edition could be easily modified or excluded to meet the curriculum goals of the institution.

**External to EGSC**

- 1) External colleagues can access the course materials via LibGuides.
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Affordable Learning Georgia Textbook Transformation Grants  
GALILEO

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Dear ALG members,

It is my pleasure to write this letter of support for the ALG Open Mathematics in Action Project submitted by Da'mon Andrews. The ALG project will provide an ideal solution to the rising costs of textbooks and will result in significant savings for students. The faculty teaching the courses targeted in this proposal have significant experience and a willingness to participate. The goal of providing less expensive learning materials for our students is noble and has my full support. I believe this project will be sustainable long term and hopefully the knowledge acquired here will be applied to other courses at EGSC.

The EGSC Business Affairs Office will be responsible for the receipt and distribution of award funds. If the project is successful, EGSC School of Mathematics and Natural Sciences will act to encourage the project in other academic areas.

Thank you for this opportunity to assist our students in obtaining an affordable learning opportunity through participation in the ALG project.

Sincerely,

Jimmy Wedincamp

Dean and Professor

School of Mathematics and Natural Sciences

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**Affordable Learning Georgia Textbook Transformation Grants  
Rounds Six, Seven, and Eight  
For Implementations beginning Fall Semester 2016  
Running Through Fall Semester 2017**

**Proposal Form and Narrative**

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<b>Award Category (pick one)</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No-or-Low-Cost-to-Students Learning Materials <input type="checkbox"/> OpenStax Textbooks <input type="checkbox"/> Interactive Course-Authoring Tools and Software <input type="checkbox"/> Specific Top 100 Undergraduate Courses				
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National Center of Educational Statistics (2016). College navigator: East Georgia State College. Retrieved from <https://nces.ed.gov/collegenavigator/?q=east+georgia+state+college&s=all&id=139621#general>